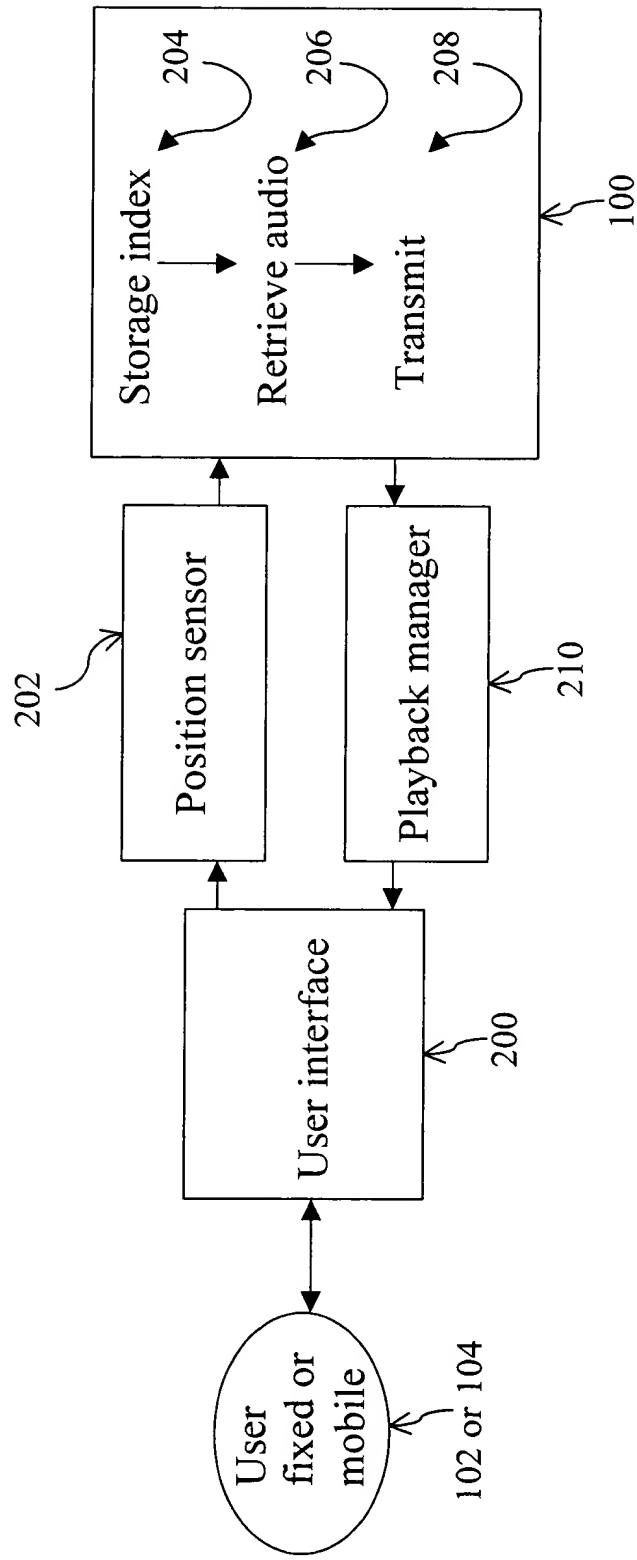A simple overview of how users and the Information Server may interact.
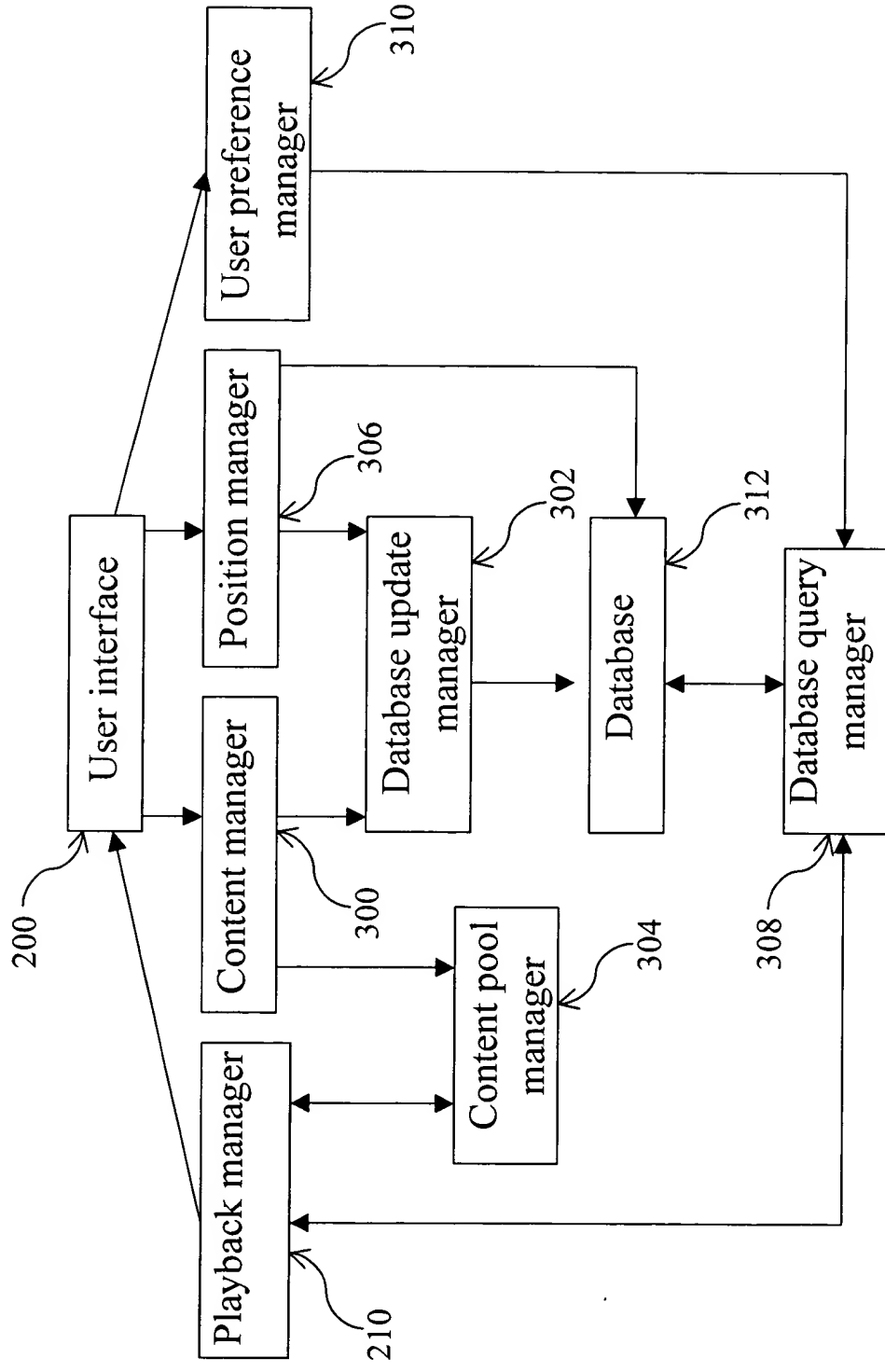
FIG. 1

Operations performed in audio information retrieval.
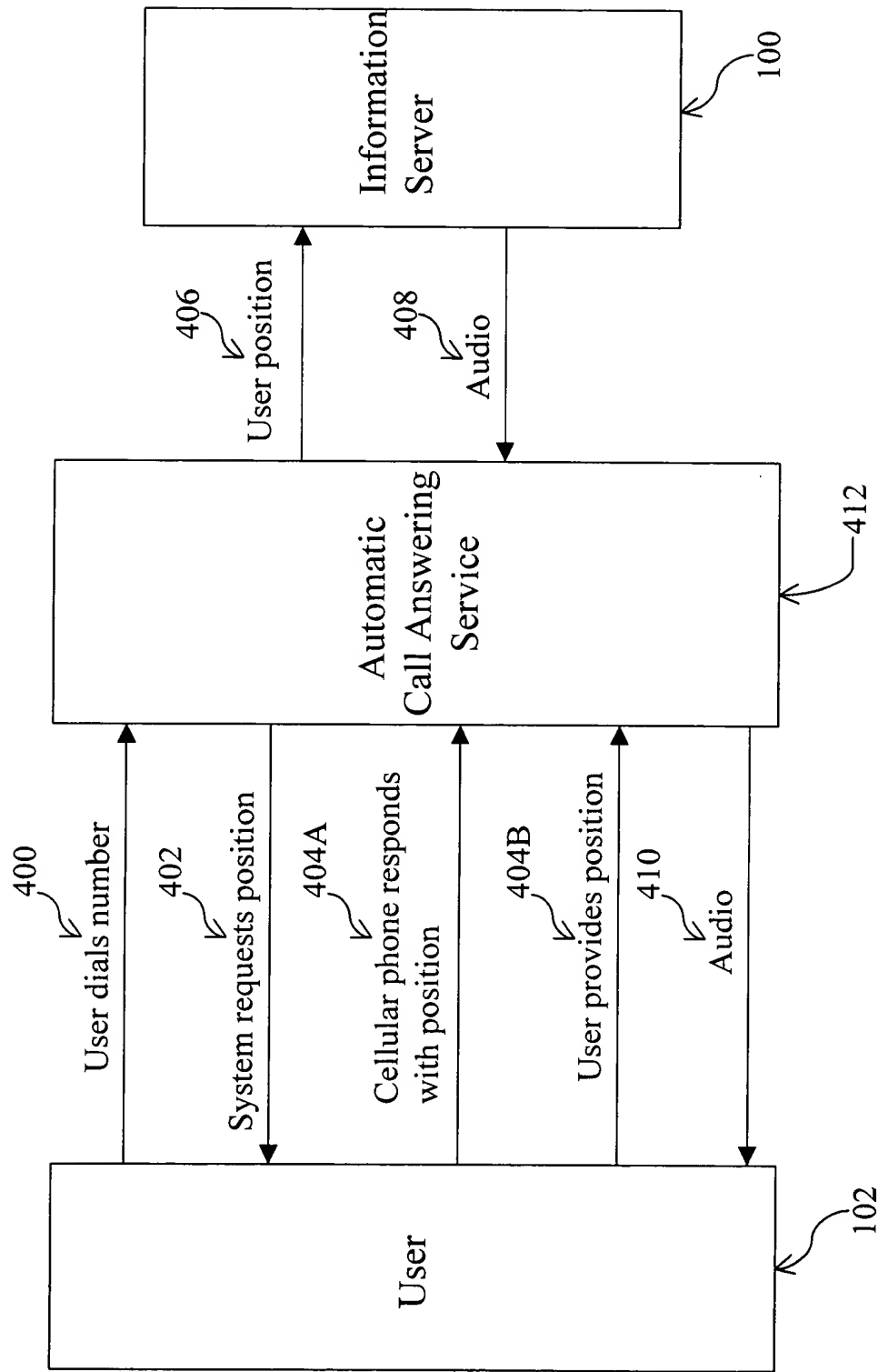
FIG. 2

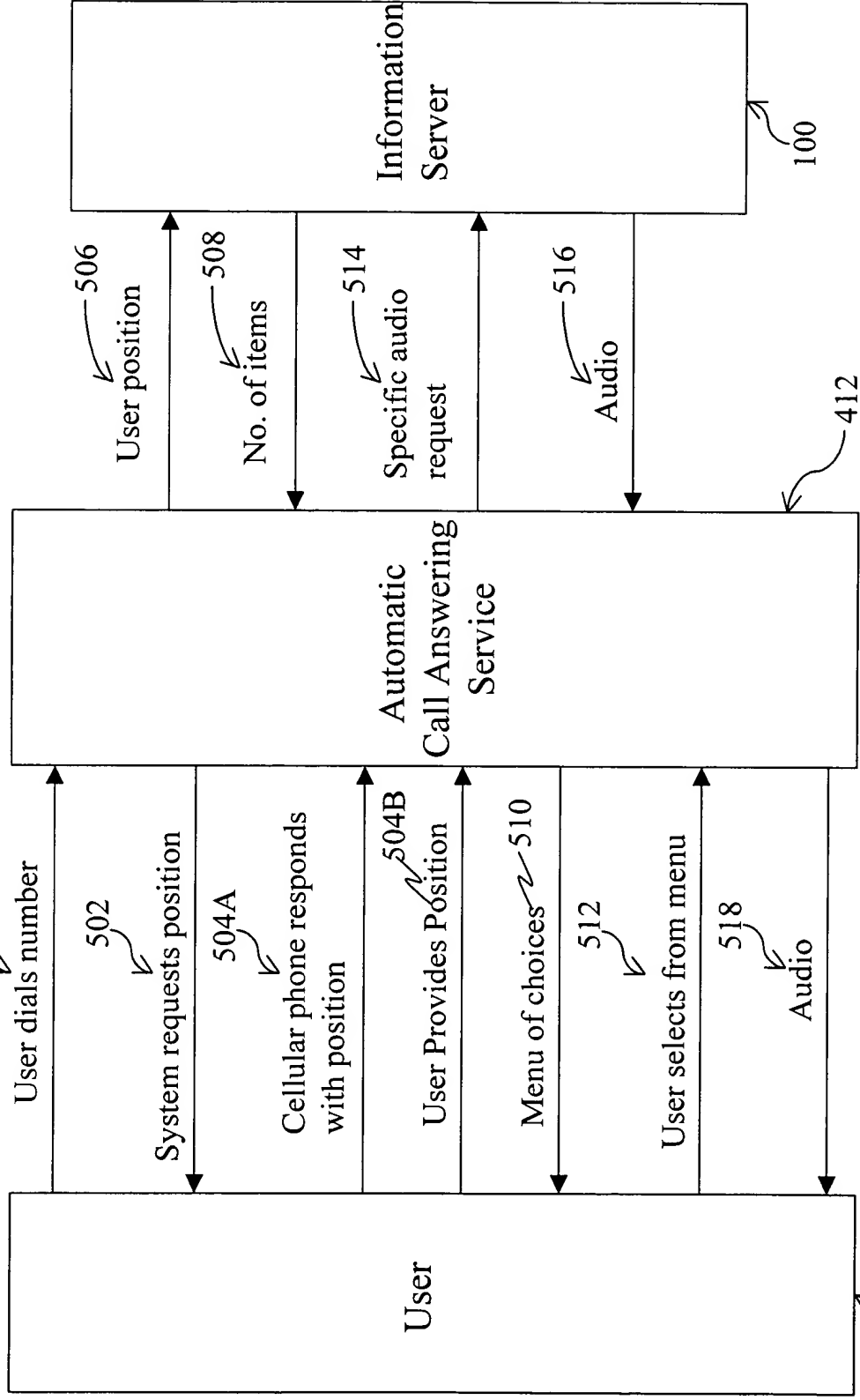Information Server block diagram.

FIG. 3

A simple cellular phone-based use of the system.

FIG. 4

500 — User dials number

502 — System requests position

504A — Cellular phone responds with position

504B — User Provides Position

510 — Menu of choices

512 — User selects from menu

518 — Audio

506 — User position

508 — No. of items

514 — Specific audio request

516 — Audio

Information Server

Automatic Call Answering Service

User

100

412

102

A menu-based interaction between the user with a cellular phone and the system

FIG. 5

Information
Server

100

412

User position

612

Audio annotation

614

Automatic
Call Answering
Service

600

User dials number

602

System requests position

604A

Cellular phone responds
with position

604B

User provides position

606

Menu of choices

608

User selects from menu

610

User speaks audio

102
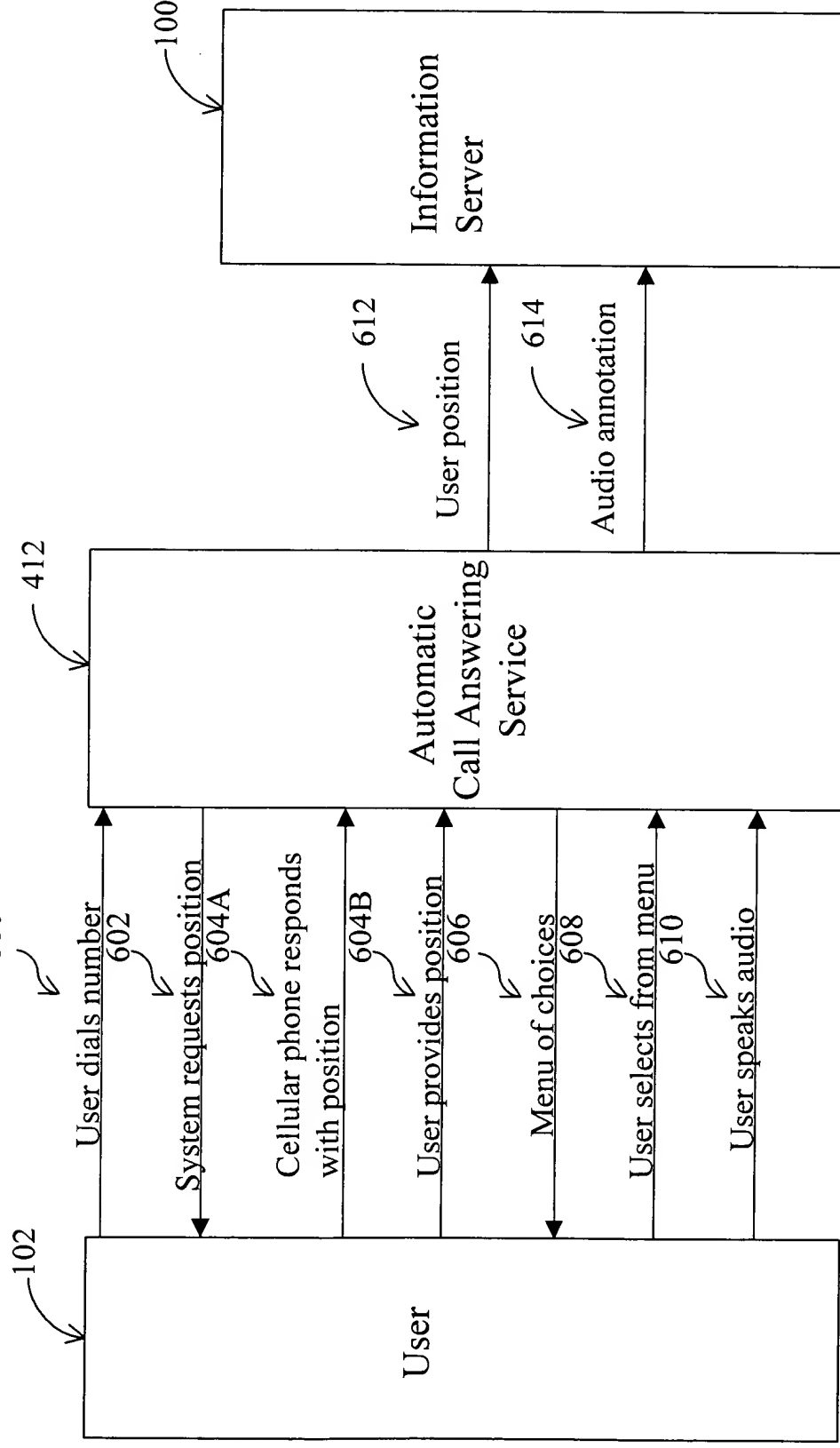
User

A user adds audio annotation and the user's current position to the Information Server.

FIG. 6